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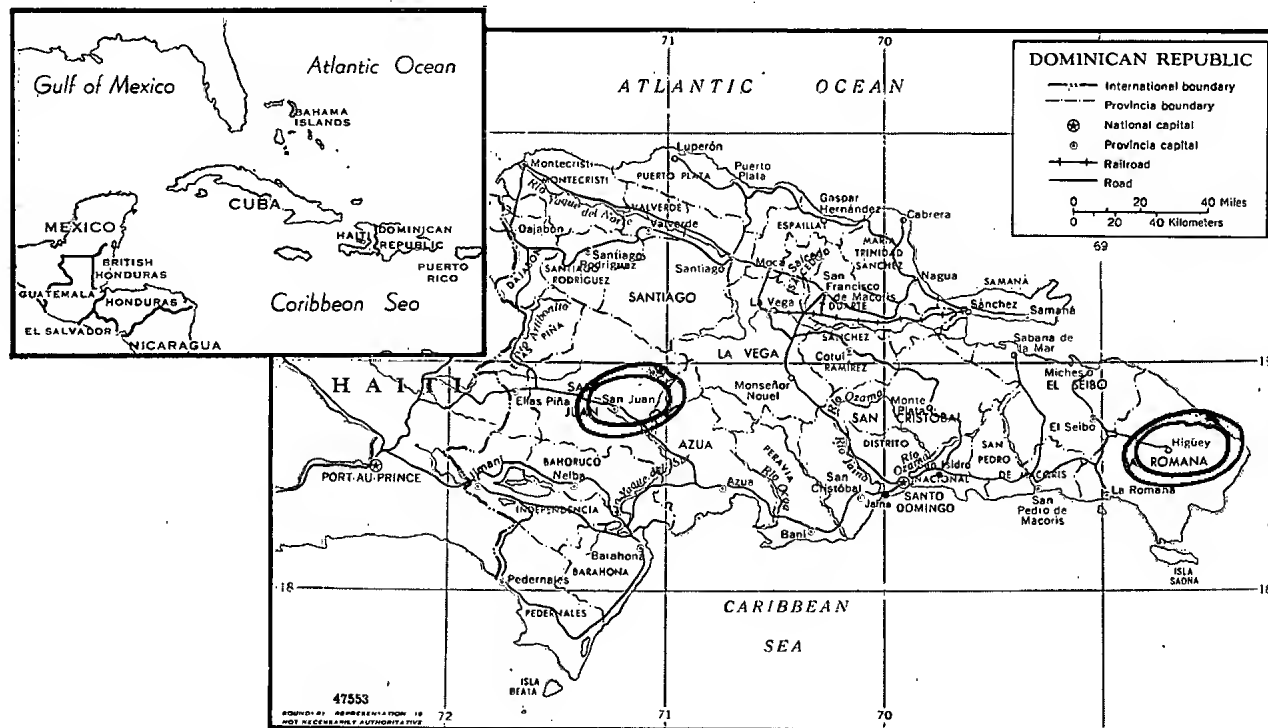


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LATE ITEM

Dominican Republic

Santo Domingo remains relatively quiet.

However, two disturbances in the interior of the country at San Juan and at Higüey (see map) last night reflect the tensions still growing there pending resolution of the political deadlock in the capital. The first of these included a raid on a police headquarters and an army barracks, presumably to seize arms for use at some later date. This objective seems to have characterized a number of other such attacks in recent days.

The rebel camp, itself now reported subject to some dissension between the Communists and Bosch adherents, is reported to be banking on word of an impending military coup against Imbert. This, however, remains so far only a rumor.

Since Caamano's flat rejection of Imbert's proposal for elections under the supervision of the Organization of American States, there has been no word of new major initiatives toward a political solution. In New York, UN observer Mayobre, who returned Wednesday from Santo Domingo, is still airing his view that a government under Guzman remains the only solution.

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1. South Vietnam

The military are edging back onto the stage as the political crisis persists.

The top generals sat in on today's generally inconclusive negotiations between Suu and Quat. They appeared irritated by the squabbling and did not take sides.

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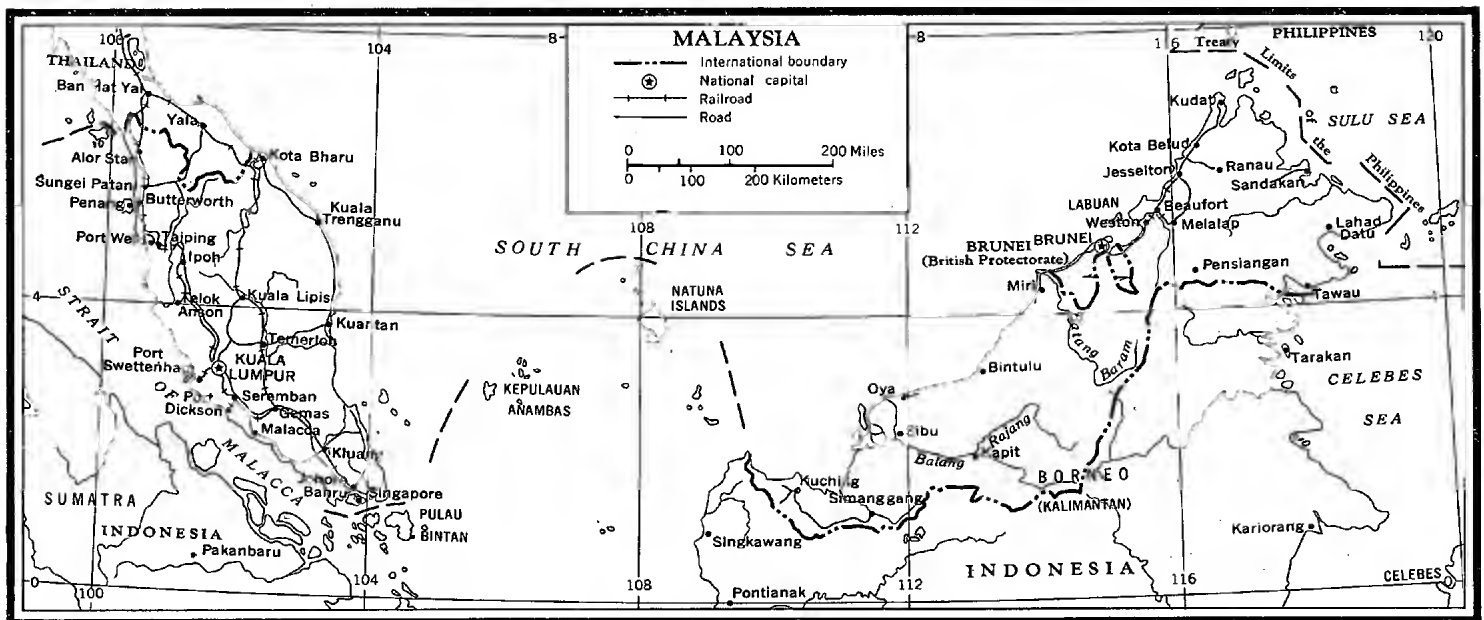
Ambassador Taylor talked to Quat at the end of the day's discussions. He found the Premier tired, indecisive, and lacking in self-confidence. Quat gave the impression of wishing to brush the cabinet problem under the rug. The discussions will continue tomorrow, and military impatience is likely to grow until some clear-cut decision is reached.

2. Communist China

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3. Guatemala

Plotting against the person and government of Colonel Peralta is becoming more widespread.

Both rightists and leftists appear to be involved.

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The regime is probably alert, and none of the plots appears to offer the genuine threat of an overthrow. Any attempt against Peralta, however, could spark disorders which an assortment of antigovernment elements would join.

4. USSR

The USSR may be preparing for a large-scale military exercise centered in East Germany.

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5. Malaysia

A sharp new confrontation looms between the central government in Kuala Lumpur and authorities in Singapore.

Singapore leader Lee Kuan Yew threatens to push matters to the point of a partition of Malaysia unless Prime Minister Rahman breaks with his more extremist Malay followers. These elements in turn are demanding strong actions against Lee.

This sort of back and forth could well bring a new outbreak of violence between the Malays and Chinese.

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6. Bolivia

The extremist mine union leadership appears to be giving up the fight against the junta.

A large number [redacted]

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[redacted] of the leftist leaders are reported asking to leave the country.

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Barrientos' troubles in the mines are not over yet, however. Much will depend on how persuasively the government presents its bundle of reforms to the miners and then how effectively it carries them out.

7. Uruguay

The government decision to ban the meeting this month of a Communist-sponsored Cuban Solidarity Conference will probably trigger a new storm of leftist agitation against the shaky ruling council. In addition, its recent decision to suspend certain imports will probably lead to a loud outcry from businessmen and the public, all of whom will be quick to feel the pinch.

8. Cuba

Soviet air defense advisers will probably remain in Cuba until at least the end of 1966, [redacted]

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[redacted] Cuban personnel are still unable to operate and maintain Soviet surface-to-air missile equipment proficiently.

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